

REMARKS

Claims 7, 9, 13-18, 22-28 and 30-37 are pending in the present application. Applicants elect Claims 7, 9, 13-18, 26, 27 and 31-33 of Group II for prosecution, with traverse. Applicants request withdrawal of Claims 22-25, 28, 34, 35 and 37 and 26, 30 and 36 from consideration. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute Claims 22-25, 28, 34, 35 and 37 and 30 and 36 in divisional or continuation applications.

Respectfully submitted,

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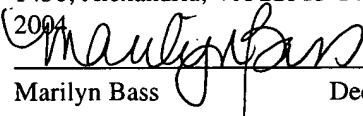
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